

Packard	Schaffer	Terry
Pease	Sensenbrenner	Thomas
Peterson (PA)	Sessions	Thornberry
Petri	Shadegg	Thune
Pickering	Shaw	Tiahrt
Pitts	Shays	Toomey
Pombo	Sherwood	Upton
Portman	Shimkus	Vitter
Pryce (OH)	Shuster	Walden
Radanovich	Simpson	Walsh
Ramstad	Skeen	Wamp
Regula	Smith (MI)	Watkins
Reynolds	Smith (NJ)	Watts (OK)
Riley	Smith (TX)	Weldon (FL)
Rogan	Souder	Weldon (PA)
Rogers	Spence	Weller
Rohrabacher	Stearns	Whitfield
Ros-Lehtinen	Stump	Wicker
Roukema	Sununu	Wilson
Ryan (WI)	Sweeney	Wolf
Ryun (KS)	Talent	Young (AK)
Salmon	Tancredo	Young (FL)
Saxton	Tauzin	
Scarborough	Taylor (NC)	

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Abercrombie	Gordon	Napolitano
Allen	Green (TX)	Neal
Andrews	Gutierrez	Oberstar
Baca	Hall (OH)	Obey
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Oliver
Baldacci	Hill (IN)	Ortiz
Baldwin	Hilliard	Owens
Barcia	Hinchey	Pallone
Barrett (WI)	Hinojosa	Pascarell
Becerra	Hoeffel	Pastor
Bentsen	Holden	Paul
Berkley	Holt	Payne
Berman	Hooley	Pelosi
Berry	Hostettler	Peterson (MN)
Bishop	Hoyer	Phelps
Blagojevich	Insee	Pickett
Blumenauer	Jackson (IL)	Pomeroy
Bonior	Jefferson	Price (NC)
Borski	John	Rahall
Boswell	Johnson, E. B.	Rangel
Boucher	Jones (OH)	Reyes
Boyd	Kanjorski	Rivers
Brady (PA)	Kaptur	Rodriguez
Brown (FL)	Kennedy	Roemer
Brown (OH)	Kildee	Rothman
Callahan	Kilpatrick	Roybal-Allard
Capps	Kind (WI)	Rush
Capuano	Kleczka	Sabo
Cardin	Klink	Sanchez
Carson	Kucinich	Sanders
Clay	LaFalce	Sandlin
Clayton	Lampson	Sanford
Clement	Lantos	Sawyer
Clyburn	Larson	Scott
Conyers	Lee	Serrano
Costello	Levin	Sherman
Coyne	Lewis (GA)	Shows
Cramer	Lipinski	Sisisky
Crowley	Lofgren	Skelton
Cummings	Lucas (KY)	Slaughter
Danner	Luther	Smith (WA)
Davis (FL)	Maloney (CT)	Snyder
Davis (IL)	Maloney (NY)	Spratt
DeFazio	Markey	Stabenow
DeGette	Mascara	Stark
Delahunt	Matsui	Stenholm
DeLauro	McCarthy (MO)	Strickland
Deutsch	McCarthy (NY)	Stupak
Dicks	McGovern	Tanner
Dingell	McIntyre	Tauscher
Doggett	McKinney	Taylor (MS)
Dooley	McNulty	Thompson (CA)
Doyle	Meehan	Thompson (MS)
Edwards	Meek (FL)	Thurman
Engel	Meeks (NY)	Tierney
Eshoo	Menendez	Towns
Etheridge	Millender	Traficant
Evans	McDonald	Turner
Farr	Miller, George	Udall (CO)
Fattah	Minge	Udall (NM)
Filner	Mink	Velazquez
Forbes	Moakley	Visclosky
Ford	Mollohan	Waters
Frank (MA)	Moore	Watt (NC)
Frost	Moran (VA)	Waxman
Gejdenson	Morella	Weiner
Gephardt	Murtha	
Gonzalez	Nadler	

Wexler	Wise	Wu
Weygand	Woolsey	Wynn

NOT VOTING—17

Ackerman	Jackson-Lee	McHugh
Archer	(TX)	Porter
Bonilla	Lowey	Quinn
Crane	Martinez	Royce
Dixon	McCollum	Schakowsky
Greenwood	McDermott	Vento

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So the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded:

COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF HON. LOIS CAPPS, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) laid before the House the following communication from Sharon Siegel, District Director of the Honorable Lois CAPPS, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
March 14, 2000.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a hearing subpoena for testimony issued by the Superior Court for Santa Barbara County, California.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

SHARON SIEGEL,
District Director.

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GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on H. Con. Res. 290, the concurrent resolution just agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Connecticut?

There was no objection.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2000 TO FILE REPORT ON H.R. 7, EDUCATION SAVINGS AND SCHOOL EXCELLENCE ACT OF 1999

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Ways and Means have until midnight, Friday, March 24, 2000 to file a report on H.R. 7, the Education Savings and School Excellence Act of 1999.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2000

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2000

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 27, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

CLINTON-GORE FAILED ENERGY CRISIS

(Mr. STEARNS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Companies, or OPEC, in its capacity as an oil cartel or monopoly, has been a critical factor in driving prices of oil from approximately \$11 a barrel in 1998 to a high of \$30 a barrel last month. These are levels that we have not seen since the Persian Gulf War.

Foreign countries that export oil to the United States have been engaged in a price-fixing scheme which has driven the average price at the pump to almost \$2 in some parts of this country. Yet, the Clinton-Gore administration has done nothing to stop this, even with the OPEC strategy of price control. Even Energy Secretary Bill Richardson admits his administration, his department, was "caught napping."

Once again, the leadership in the White House has been lax, and foreign nations have taken advantage of our apparent weakness.

We passed a plan yesterday with Republican leadership. So I urge the administration to adopt our plan and fight this oil cartel.

LA BELLA MEMORANDUM

Mr. Speaker, last week, someone at the Justice Department leaked the La Bella memo to the press. The La Bella memo is a 94-page document calling on the Attorney General to appoint an Independent Counsel to investigate the White House. The memo also spells out all of the ways that Janet Reno and her political advisors avoided any thorough investigation of the 1996 campaign fundraising scandal. A year after he was brought in to head the campaign fundraising investigation, La Bella concluded that Janet Reno and her political advisors had used "gamesmanship" and "legal contortions" to avoid a thorough investigation. He also concluded that the result was a double standard for the President, the Vice President, the First Lady and Harold Ickes, protecting them from any real investigation.

There is something seriously wrong at the Justice Department when career prosecutors are not allowed to follow the facts wherever they lead. The result is an investigation that has no credibility. There are numerous examples of the failed investigation:

The President and Vice President were never thoroughly questioned. Can you imagine—the Justice Department failed to ask the President a single question about James Riady and foreign money. They didn't ask the Vice President any questions about the Buddhist Temple fundraiser. Unbelievable!

The Justice Department has apparently never asked the White House to turn over hundreds of thousands of e-mails that have never been reviewed.

Central figures in the scandal, like John Huang and Charlie Trie, have received light sentences without giving up useful information to the Justice Department.

Mr. Speaker, we have a right to know whether the Justice Department has done a thorough and credible job investigating the 1996 campaign fundraising scandal. The Justice Department has already leaked the La Bella memo to the press. They should now turn it over to congress, so that we can see if Janet Reno has allowed her career prosecutors to do their job.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ACKERMAN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for March 21 and the balance of the week on account of official business.

Mr. VENTO (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for after 5 p.m. today and the balance of the month on account of health reasons.

Mr. QUINN (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for after 3 p.m. today until March 31 on account of medical reasons.

Mr. MCHUGH (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for after 2 p.m. today on account of medical reasons.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 21 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 27, 2000, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6741. A letter from the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Food Additives for Use in Meat and Poultry Products: Sodium Diacetate, Sodium Acetate, Sodium Lactate and Potassium Lactate [Docket No. 99-028DF] received January 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6742. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Agriculture Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Vidalia Onions Grown in Georgia; Increased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV00-955-1 FR] received February 11, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6743. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida and Imported Grapefruit; Relaxation of the Minimum Size Requirement for Red Seedless Grapefruit [Docket No. FV99-905-6 FIR] received February 11, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6744. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Field Study; Definition, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6745. A letter from the the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, transmitting an updated compilation of historical information and statistics regarding rescissions proposed by the executive branch and rescissions enacted by the Congress through October 1, 1999; (H. Doc. No. 106-217); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

6746. A letter from the Executive Director, Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Loan Guarantee Decision; Availability of Environmental Information (RIN: 3003-ZA00) received February 15, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6747. A letter from the Executive Director, Emergency Steel Loan Guarantee Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Loan Guarantee Decision; Application Deadlines (RIN: 3003-ZA00) received February 15, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

6748. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 13-291, "Tax Conformity Temporary Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6749. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a

copy of D.C. Act 13-290, "Closing of Public Alley in Square 6159, S.O. 98-125, Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6750. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-289, "Recreation Volunteer Background Check and Screening Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6751. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-287, "Long-Term Care Insurance Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6752. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-273, "Muhammad Mosque No.4 Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6753. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-272, "Victory Memorial Baptist Church Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6754. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-271, "Compensating-Use Tax Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6755. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-270, "Bread for the City & Zacchaeus Free Clinic Equitable Real Property Tax Relief Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6756. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-269, "University of the District of Columbia Board of Trustees Residency Requirement Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6757. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-268, "Litter Control Administration Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6758. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-267, "Underground Facilities Protection Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6759. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-266, "District of Columbia Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6760. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-265, "Child Helmet Safety Amendment Act of 2000" received March 22, 2000, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6761. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a